Honolulu, Hawaii

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S.B. No. 2634 RE:

> S.D. 1 H.D. 2 C.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 2634, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to promote transparency in lobbying activities by:

- (1) Adding a definition of "lobbying material"; and
- Requiring individuals who spend more than \$750 on lobbying (2) during an expenditure statement period to itemize each expenditure under certain categories and to account for expenditures listed as "other disbursements".

Your Committee on Conference finds that existing law requires the reporting of total lobbying expenditures but does not require

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that these expenditures be categorized according to their nature and purpose. This measure provides greater transparency regarding the expenditures that are made by lobbyists and lobbying organizations seeking to influence legislative action by requiring the categorization of lobbying expenditures.

Your Committee on Conference notes that this measure is not intended to redefine the existing definition of lobbying under state law, nor is it intended to expand the types of items considered to be lobbying. Instead, the intent of this measure is to add certain categories to the reporting of such expenses.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the proposed definition of "lobbying material";
- (2) Deleting language that would have required that each item under the category "other disbursements" contain the amount, date, purpose, and recipient of the disbursement; and
- (3) Changing the effective date from July 1, 2030, to upon approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2634, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2634, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

KARI BUOARG Go Chair

KARL RHOADS, Co-Chair

KANIELA ING, Co-Chair

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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CLAYTON HEE, Chair

MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO, Co-Chair

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Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: SB 2634, SD 1, HD 2					Date/Time: 4/25/14 0:42 pm				
The recommendation of the House and Senate managers is to pass with amendments (CD).									
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision.									
The recommendation of the Senate Manager(s) is to AGREE to the House amendments made to the Senate Measure				The recommendation of the House Manager(s) is to AGREE to the Senate amendments made to the House Measure.					
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